

COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY
(Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council)

Chairman: Mr. Steve C. Davis

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, was held on **Monday April 12, 2010**, in the Assembly Room of the Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina, 7:04 at p.m.

PRESENT: Chairman Steve C. Davis, Council District No. 8; Committee Member Phillip Farley, Council District No. 1; Committee Member Timothy J. Callanan, Council District No. 2; Committee Member Robert O. Call, Jr., Council District No. 3; Committee Member Cathy S. Davis, Council District No. 4; Committee Member Dennis L. Fish, Council District No. 5; Committee Member Jack H. Schurlknight, Council District No. 6; Committee Member Caldwell Pinckney, Jr., Council District No. 7; County Supervisor Daniel W. Davis, ex officio; Ms. Nicole Scott Ewing, County Attorney; and Ms. Barbara B. Austin, Clerk of County Council.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act, the electronic and print media were duly notified.

Chairman S. Davis called the meeting to order and asked for the approval of minutes from the meeting of the Committee on Justice and Public Safety held on March 8, 2010.

It was moved by Committee Member Callanan and seconded by Committee Member Schurlknight to **approve** the minutes as presented. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

A. Chief Deputy, C. W. Henery, Re:

1. Approval of **Federal FY 2011 Highway Safety Grant** relating to Traffic Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Education in the amount of \$490,480.00. (No matching funds required)

Chief Henery: "Mr. Chairman, Council. You pretty well covered it, Mr. Chairman. It's no matching funds. A Traffic Grant. Would furnish us with four deputies, all their equipment including cars. It is renewable up to three years."

Committee Member Schurlknight: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Callanan: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "We have a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion?"

Committee Member Callanan: "Actually, I do have a question on this."

Chairman S. Davis: "Go ahead, Tim"

Committee Member Callanan: The um...so are we using these funds to hire officers?"

Chief Henery: "If it is approved, yes sir."

Committee Member Callanan: "I just want to make sure that folks know that our natural kind of growth for officer employment is about how many deputies a year?"

Chief Henery: "Under the circumstances that we have been under for the last couple of years, without the grants we really wouldn't have seen any growth."

Committee Member Callanan: "Right, but we are essentially looking at, we are not going to run into a case where when this expires....."

Chief Henery: "I don't think so sir. Normally we would need at least three to four a year. We've got a three year period here so...."

Committee Member Callanan: "Right and that's my point so in three years we are not just going to be left on the hook to um, take over the salaries of these officers. That would have been natural growth anyway."

Chief Henery: "Exactly, yes sir. We would absorb it into the budget."

Committee Member Callanan: "Thank you."

Chief Henery: "The only other thing I would mention on that is we won't know until September if it is approved or not and the funds wouldn't be dispersed until the later part of this year."

It was moved by Committee Member Schurlknight and seconded by Committee Member Callanan to **approve a Federal FY 2011 Highway Safety Grant** relating to Traffic Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Education in the amount of \$490,480.00. (No matching funds required). The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

2. Approval of Homeland Security Grant in the estimated amount of \$350,128.40 and upgrade of existing equipment (robot). (No matching funds required)

Chief Henery: "This grant primarily deals with the river, the dam, the electric generating plant. Some years ago, we were able to obtain a Homeland Security Grant. We purchased some equipment with that grant. Some of these funds would be used to update that equipment starting with the robots and thermal imaging equipment, some respirators, night vision and the list goes on. We won't know, again, until late in the fall, how much, if any of this, would be approved."

Chairman S. Davis: "What's the pleasure of Council?"

Committee Member Callanan: "Move for approval"

Committee Member C. Davis: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "We have a motion and a second. Is there any further discussion? All those in favor signify by Ayes. (Ayes) Opposed? (None) Motion carries"

It was moved by Committee Member Callanan and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **approve** a **Homeland Security Grant** in the estimated amount of \$350,128.40 and upgrade of existing equipment (robot). (No matching funds required). The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

B. Mr. Bob Mixter, EMS Director, Re: CAREpoint Project and Memorandum of Agreement with DHEC.

Ms. Mixter: "Good evening Mr. Chairman and members of Council. What you see before you is, is somebody else wrote a grant, got their stuff and said they wanted to give it to us. That's the best way to get a grant, by the way. There are no matching funds. What occurs is, is that they've purchased a license for three years and they want us to sign a Memorandum of Agreement so that we can execute that agreement. Or Mr. Davis can execute that agreement. So, what we are looking for is for you to sign that Memorandum of Agreement. What this equipment will do is it will allow us to communicate with the hospitals in the event of a disaster and it will also let us send twelve lead EKG's to the hospitals using our radio system, which is an awesome piece of equipment. We will save many lives."

Chairman S. Davis: "What is the pleasure of Council?"

Committee Member C. Davis: "Move for approval"

Committee Member Callanan: "Second"

Chairman S. Davis: "It has been properly moved and seconded. Is there any further discussions? All those in favor, signify by Ayes (Ayes) Opposed? (None) Motion carries."

It was moved by Committee Member C. Davis and seconded by Committee Member Callanan to **approve** a Memorandum of Agreement with DHEC. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

It was moved by Committee Member Farley and seconded by Committee Member C. Davis to **adjourn** the Committee on Justice and Public Safety meeting. The motion passed by unanimous voice vote of the Committee.

The meeting ended at 7:09 pm.

May 11, 2010
Date Approved

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Mr. Daniel W. Davis, Supervisor, ex officio

A **meeting** of the **COMMITTEE ON JUSTICE AND PUBLIC SAFETY**, Standing Committee of Berkeley County Council, will be held on **Monday April 12, 2010**, following the meeting of the Committee on Land Use at **6:00 p.m.**, in the Assembly Room, Berkeley County Administration Building, 1003 Highway 52, Moncks Corner, South Carolina.

AGENDA

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

March 8, 2010

A. Chief Deputy, C. W. Henery, Re:

- 1.** Approval of **Federal FY 2011 Highway Safety Grant** relating to Traffic Law Enforcement and Traffic Safety Education in the amount of \$490,480.00. (No matching funds required)
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B. Mr. Bob Mixter, EMS Director, Re: CAREpoint Project and Memorandum of Agreement with DHEC.

April 7, 2010
S/Barbara B. Austin, CCC
Clerk of County Council